

Creeps From Rear To Kill Cafe Owner Lolling at Own Door

East Side Swallows Up Slayer After Shooting Which Police Believe Was Done as Result of Grudge

A slim man wearing a brown suit sneaked into the rear entrance of John Pelletieri's little restaurant at 42 Monroe Street shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Pelletieri, a dark, slender man of thirty-three, was taking things easy out in front, sitting in a straight backed chair, tilted against the door post. The stranger slipped through the back room, tiptoed silently to a point of vantage immediately behind the proprietor and shot him behind the ear.

The bullet came out above the right temple. Pelletieri died instantly; his body crumpled as his head sagged and he collapsed on the sidewalk, crossed-legged as he had sat at his ease a moment before.

The killer ducked out of the doorway, made a sharp turn to the right and dodged into Market Street, ten yards away; then he ran to Hamilton Street, where he disappeared. Detectives of the Oak Street station are still combing the East Side for him.

The murder, according to the police, was plainly one of revenge; but exactly which one of the victim's escapades is memorialized in his violent death remains to be disclosed. Pelletieri has been in conflict with the police on more than one occasion. His father was killed in a similar manner years ago. Pelletieri himself was arrested last May on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. The case against him collapsed when the detectives who made the arrest found no revolver in his pocket. There was one lying on the floor just behind the chair in which he had been sitting. Pelletieri denied knowledge.

More recently Pelletieri was out on bail in connection with a killing at Red Bank, N. J. Detectives think that this may have something to do with yesterday's shooting, and the Red Bank end is being looked up.

Pelletieri had owned for fifteen months the shabby restaurant in front of which he was killed. The place is situated at the point of the triangle made by the intersection of Hamilton, Monroe and Market streets. He lived at 61 Henry Street.

Mrs. Giberson Pleads Not Guilty of Murder Held Without Bail for Grand Jury on Testimony of Only One Witness

TOMS RIVER, N. J., Aug. 29.—Mrs. J. Giberson pleaded not guilty today to the charge of murdering her husband, William F. Giberson, who was shot to death while sleeping at his home at Lakehurst early on the morning of Aug. 14. The woman was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Willets, who held her without bail to await the action of the grand jury, which convenes on Sept. 12.

Prosecutor W. J. Jayne Jr. called one witness, Ellis Parker, Burlington County detective, who briefly told of his investigation into the case. Mrs. Giberson's attorney, W. H. Jeffrey, contended that Parker's testimony was insufficient to warrant the court taking away the liberty of his client. In reply the prosecutor said that at this time he could not disclose additional facts and argued that sufficient evidence had been submitted to substantiate a prima facie case.

Mrs. Giberson was calm throughout the hearing. As she was being led back to her cell, she remarked: "I guess that Judge Willets was more scared than I."

While Prosecutor Jayne was addressing the court Mrs. Giberson kept her eyes fixed upon him and smiled at some of his assertions.

Spurned Suitor Shoots Woman, Kills Self Angered Because She Would Not Wed Him; Has Husband Living

PLATTSBURG, N. Y., Aug. 29.—Mrs. F. E. Riel was shot and probably fatally wounded here today by John Beuharnois, who an instant later committed suicide, shooting himself through the heart, prompted by the police arrest, by the woman's refusal to marry him.

Twice Beuharnois had threatened Mrs. Riel, according to the police, after her refusal to wed him. Only last Saturday Mrs. Riel told the police of being threatened, but refused to press the charge. Mrs. Riel is separated from her husband, but is not divorced, and could not legally marry again.

Beuharnois is said to have met the woman, walked a short distance with her, apparently arguing, and then drew a revolver. The first shot pierced the woman's body just below the heart. It was said at the hospital here to-night that she was dying.

Fraud Court Opens To-day

14 Merchants Accused of Making False Financial Statements. Fourteen complaints against merchants charged with making false financial statements in order to obtain credit will be presented to the Commercial Fraud Court on its opening day in the library of the Criminal Courts Building. Magistrate George W. Simpson will preside at the hearings. District Attorney Banton will be present for the opening, while the cases presented will be directed by Assistant District Attorneys Benjamin F. Schreiber and James J. Wilson.

The complaints against the merchants are recorded as misdemeanors. In the event of the magistrate's holding the defendant the latter will be given immediate trial in Special Sessions. A number of the persons charged have since become bankrupt, according to Mr. Schreiber, who said that the examination of the books of the firms in some cases disclosed positive evidence of fraud in obtaining credit.

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Tippler Is Traffic Officer—Only a While

Jersey City had one traffic policeman more than usual yesterday afternoon. He didn't have a uniform, but he did have lung power and arm movement, and he stepped out into the street at Hudson Boulevard and Sip Avenue and took charge of things.

He made things uncomfortable for motorists until two motorcycle policemen started toward the cop to make it uncomfortable for him. They overtook an automobile he had boarded and carried him to Police Headquarters. There he gave his name as William Danker, but said he'd forgotten the name of the liquor he'd drunk.

Rich Real Estate Man Arrested in Murder of Friend

Owen A. Dewitt, of Rochester, Admits They Drank Two Quarts of Gin and Then His Memory Failed

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 29.—Owen A. Dewitt, forty-five years old, a millionaire real estate man of this city, was arrested this afternoon at the Onondaga Hotel in Syracuse, and tonight was brought here and formally charged with first degree murder in connection with the killing of Frank J. O'Connor, a prominent merchant tailor of this city, who was found beaten to death in his shop late Monday afternoon. Dewitt and O'Connor were lifelong friends.

Dewitt was questioned by Detectives Captain John P. MacDonald, and, according to the captain, admitted having been with O'Connor just after noon on the day of the murder, and that the two had consumed two quarts of gin before 3 o'clock. Dewitt says he cannot remember having taken part in any fight, and that after drinking with the tailor he went to a saloon near the scene of the murder and had several more drinks.

From the saloon he returned to O'Connor's shop, and after getting the janitor to unlock a door he took a suitcase he had left there and went to Syracuse, where he had an appointment with a physician. This part of the statement has proved to be correct, the police say.

Dewitt is a prominent real estate man of Rochester. He and O'Connor had been lifelong friends. O'Connor was known as "Scrappy" O'Connor. Bartenders and others who were acquainted with the murdered man declare that the killing was the result of a drunken brawl. The statement given by Dewitt is said to bear out this theory.

Truck Hits Wall; Helper Is Catapulted Atop Car Driver Clings to Wheel, but Other Is Sent Spinning Over Drive Bank

When Joseph McNally, driver of a five-ton truck belonging to the Westchester-Manhattan Transfer Company, turned into 145th Street from Broadway early last night and started down the steep hill leading to Riverside Drive, he gripped the steering wheel firmly, having made the descent on previous occasions.

But, despite his caution, his truck had gone but a short distance when he lost control of it. It began zig-zagging at high speed toward Riverside Drive and the concrete wall rising above the New York Central tracks.

On the track with McNally was William Dougherty, his helper. McNally had experienced sharp inclines and unmanageable trucks and was confident that he could halt the vehicle in time. Dougherty thought the same thing, so they stuck to their seats, but the fast-moving truck shot across Riverside Drive and plunged into the concrete wall.

The impact hurled Dougherty from his seat. He cleared the wall, which rises about four feet above the level of the street, Dougherty landed upon the edge of a freight car, bounced and fell to the ground. He was unconscious when picked up, having suffered a fractured skull.

When passersby and motorists reached the scene, McNally was still firm upon the driver's seat, unhurt. He refused medical aid, but invited suggestions as to how he had lost control of his truck.

Will Not Invade Austria

Jugo-Slavia Gives Assurance of Peaceful Intentions. ROME, Aug. 29.—Jugo-Slavia has given assurances that she does not intend to invade Austrian territory, according to reports here to-day, and she will do everything possible to prevent Serbian irregulars from making any such attempt.

Jugo-Slavia's good intentions are emphasized in a statement published by "The Epoca" that the Jugo-Slav Foreign Ministry intends to come to Vienna to discuss the Austrian situation with Signor Schanzer.

LONDON, Aug. 30.—A dispatch to "The Daily Mail" from Rome says that after a Cabinet meeting there Tuesday it was announced that the Italian government opposed any military venture in Austria unless Austria's territorial integrity is endangered.

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John Harriman and His Bride



He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman and his wife was Miss Alice A. Laidley, daughter of Mrs. E. L. Laidley, of Rogers Park, Chicago. She was a ward of Howard Chandler Christy, the artist. They were married in Port Chester, August 12.

Harriman Bride Expects To Be 'Frightfully Happy'

So Declares When Husband Dodges Query on Right Age at Which to Wed. John Harriman, nineteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman, of 142 East Fifty-fifth Street, dodged the question yesterday of whether nineteen was the ideal age at which to marry, but his nineteen-year-old bride, who was Miss Alice A. Laidley, of Chicago, was certain they were going to be "frightfully happy" anyhow.

"Of course nineteen is a good age to marry, Jack," said Howard Chandler Christy, in whose home, at 1 West Sixty-seventh Street, the couple received reporters, when the young bridegroom betrayed some embarrassment at the opening question. "Any age at which people choose to marry is the perfect age."

Mr. Christy has been acting as guardian for Mrs. Harriman for the last two years during her mother's absence in Europe, and it was at his studio that Mr. Harriman met his bride last spring.

They are going to start married life on an equal footing aside from age. Mr. Harriman gave up Princeton and his bride gave up dancing, in which her friends say she might have achieved a career. Mrs. Harriman said they didn't try to keep their marriage secret, but it just happened that people didn't hear about it until Monday. Whether they live in New York will depend on whether the breadwinner of the family finds a job here.

Skirts To Be Long, Then Short, Dean of Paris Fashions Says

Thus It Will Go, Back and Forth, Back and Forth, as Wearers Tire of Each, Forecasts Paul Poiret; Finds American Figures Are Better Developed

Skirts, following the backward swing of the fashion pendulum, will keep on lengthening until they brush the pavements. Then they will contract once more, perhaps to the heights attained last year. This is the prediction of Paul Poiret, dean of French dressmakers, made yesterday in his suite at the Ritz-Carlton. M. Poiret arrived here on a business trip.

When short skirts would return to vogue M. Poiret was unable to say, although he was positive that they would be seen again within a few years, as soon as women had tired of the long dress. Both the long skirt and the short are becoming to women, he said, but too much of either makes it time for the other to come into favor. A fashion has outlived its usefulness when it no longer stimulates the interest of the beholder, he believes.

Why We Are Late. Not one word was said about the American dapper, although it is through Poiret's influence that the species is now extinct. The couturier admitted that he had been the first to sponsor the long skirt, having begun as early as 1918 to "foot" for length. The year 1917, which marked the invasion of brevity, convinced him that the short dress was a mistake, and he has been fighting for additional inches ever since. He is glad that this country is at last yielding to longer skirts.

If our fashions are three years behind, it is because we are further from the kitchen of style than the Parisienne, who can get her dishes hot, said Poiret. It takes at least that long for a new French fashion to be adopted by the American public, he pointed out, citing the long skirt as an example.

"And what will you be wearing in three years from now?" he asked, rhetorically. "What we are wearing now. Skirts down to your ankles. Voluminous sleeves. Bodices draped down to the hips. Boots of bright colored leather, crushed in folds thickly about the ankle. It does not matter what the shoes are, though, for the skirts will conceal them."

Like American Women. Despite our flagrant tardiness in accepting new fashions as they appear, M. Poiret is a confessed admirer of American women. They will be pleased by this epigram which came from his lips.

"The American," he said, "has all the charm of the French, and all the aristocracy of the English."

He finds the American figure, due to an indulgence in exercise, better developed and more finely poised than the French. Complexions are better here, and clothes seem possessed of more snap. American working girls are less sensitive to beauty, however. French girls, no matter how poor, find time to beautify their clothes with well placed details.

Girls' Body Identified

The body of a young girl taken yesterday from the waters of Rockaway Shoals, off Rockaway Point, by Gustave Lager, of Ulmer Park, was identified as that of Mildred Kroth, fourteen years old, of 344 East Thirty-fifth Street, Brooklyn, who was drowned last Thursday while swimming with a girl friend near Rockaway.

Lager, with two companions, was cruising about the shoals when they picked up the body and took it to Sheephead Bay. The police, who removed it to the Kings County Hospital Morgue, at first were unable to identify it. Later, however, Mildred's sister, Margaret, called and claimed it.

Grace Wyatt, of 1640 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, who narrowly escaped drowning with Mildred, is at the Coney Island Hospital with pneumonia.

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Mrs. Wainwright Died From Mercury Doses, Doctors Say

Physician Believed Her Suffering From Illegal Operation; Alleged Lawyer Tore Up Medical Prescription

At the coroner's inquest yesterday into the death of Mrs. Catherine Wainwright at Nassau Hospital last Saturday, Dr. Gustave A. Fensterer testified that he had ordered the woman taken to the hospital because he believed she was suffering from the effects of an illegal operation.

Dr. J. P. Musante, of Floral Park, also testified at the hearing, which was held at Hempstead, L. I. He said he had written a prescription for Mrs. Wainwright when he was called into the case, but that it had been torn up by John C. Wait, an attorney, of 233 Broadway, and formerly Mrs. Wainwright's employer. The physician said that Wait had declared he was a chemist and that there was as good soda in the house as could be obtained on the prescription.

It developed from the questions asked the various doctors that the woman had died from the effects of mercury tablets and that peritonitis had developed after an operation. Although the inquest was adjourned until an analysis of the woman's stomach is received from a laboratory, all of the witnesses yesterday were questioned about Wait, who was present at the hearing, but was not asked to testify. The lawyer went into consultation with the District Attorney after adjournment and then left the Nassau County courthouse with the mother and the sister of Mrs. Wainwright. He refused to talk about the case and avoided reporters.

Michael R. Cusack, of 202 Van Wyck Avenue, Richmond Hill, the father of Mrs. Wainwright, declared on the stand that he knew his daughter had lived and died a pure woman. He said she had gone to Wait's office on August 19, as she wanted to read her will and discuss other matters. Cusack spoke in terms of perfect confidence of the attorney.

Mrs. Wainwright's husband is a civil engineer now in South America.

Federal Officials Show Worth as Wine Testers

Newspaper Men Reluctantly Consent Also to Sample Alleged Contraband

BOSTON, Aug. 29.—A United States commissioner, two Federal attorneys, a Boston lawyer and several newspaper men became liquor testers in Federal Court here today when Mrs. Annie Chestnut, of Brockton, was arraigned charged with illegal possession of liquor. The testing was to decide whether the alleged intoxicant was blueberry wine or distilled whiskey. Paper cups from a water fountain were commandeered, and the samplers, one by one, drank their portion.

"Wine," announced Attorney Daniel A. Shea, counsel for the defendant. "Wine," said Commissioner Hayes, venturing the opinion that it would take the specific charge on which the broker was arrested was that on December 17, 1921, he bought 200 shares of Famous Players-Lasky stock at \$36.75 per share, and the said stock was sold at \$37.50 per share. Had this stock been held, according to Mr. Schreiber, Mrs. Hatch could have realized \$100,000 by their sale at a later date.

Motorist, Whose Auto Killed Cyclist, Arrested

Prisoner Drunk, Driving on Wrong Side of Road, Coroner Asserts

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE TRIBUNE. BAYPORT, L. I., Aug. 29.—Wilson R. Smith, formerly partner in the New York and Brooklyn clothing house of Smith, Gray & Co., was arrested at his summer home here today on a charge of second degree manslaughter as a result of the findings of a coroner's inquest into the death of Frank L. Halleck, of Sayville, Friday evening.

He was arraigned and released under \$5,000 bail. Halleck was riding a bicycle on the South Road here at 5:30 o'clock Friday afternoon when he was struck by a speeder owned and driven by Smith. He died two hours later. The coroner declared after examining half a dozen witnesses that the evidence showed that Smith was driving on the wrong side of the road when he ran into Halleck and that he apparently was intoxicated. The official charged that the accident was due to culpable negligence on the part of the automobile owner and turned the case over to the District Attorney.

Halleck's widow is financially destitute. Smith has figured in other automobile accidents.

Hangs Himself in Jail

CHESTER, Pa., Aug. 29.—A Paolo Cabatone, of New York, committed suicide today by hanging in the Marcus Hook Borough jail. He used his suspenders as a noose. The man had been identified according to the authorities, as the passer of \$10 counterfeit bills, and was afraid to stand trial lest he be forced to betray his fellow conspirators.

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Pawn in Marital Fight



Lawrence Weber Jr. plays with both his father and mother while they wage a court contest for his possession. Lawrence Weber, theatrical manager, charges his former wife, Edith Hallor, actress, now Mrs. John Dillon, abducted the youth.

Broker Arrested When Woman Loses \$150,000

Harold L. Sonking, of 216 West 111th Street, was arrested yesterday afternoon charged with grand larceny in the course of brokerage transactions for the account of Mrs. Nancy E. Hatch, of 33 West Sixty-seventh Street. The securities involved were said by Assistant District Attorney Schreiber to have totaled \$150,000, and the customer's net loss to have been increased by her failure to realize a profit of \$150,000 which she would have made had she ordered the brokerage house of Wilk & Co., 50 Broadway, with which the prisoner was connected, been carried out.

The company would buy stocks for customers," the prosecutor said. "Immediately after the dismissal of the complaint, with Mr. Bernard Sandler, my attorney, I visited the office of Assistant District Attorney Schreiber and asked that a charge of criminal libel be brought against the Better Business Bureau to be made before the grand jury on my behalf. Mr. Sandler was instructed to secure the minutes of the hearing before Magistrate Renaud and to submit these minutes with a copy of the alleged libelous publication of the Better Business Bureau to Mr. Schreiber."

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Beadon's Criminal Libel Suit Against Bureau Dismissed

Radio Corporation Head Insists He Will Press Civil Case, and Also Applies for Action by Grand Jury

Magistrate Renaud dismissed yesterday in the Tombs police court a complaint of criminal libel made by Charles Beadon, majority stockholder in the International Radio Corporation, against H. J. Kenner, manager of the Better Business Bureau, of 61 Broadway.

The complaint was based on statements made in a bulletin of the Better Business Bureau concerning the stock-selling methods of the International Radio Corporation. After the complaint had been dismissed Mr. Beadon went to the District Attorney to see if he could have it presented to the grand jury and announced that he would press a civil suit for libel.

The International Radio Corporation, which is controlled by Mr. Beadon through stock ownership, was accused by the Better Business Bureau of misrepresenting its affairs in order to sell stock. Henry D. Burrell, former treasurer and managing director of the radio corporation, testified that while he was connected with the concern it made no net profit, and that he regarded the information the corporation gave out concerning his financial standing as exaggerated. According to the bulletin of the Better Business Bureau, Mr. Burrell was described in the propaganda of the radio corporation as "former financial adviser to J. P. Morgan & Co." and as "internationally known to business men."

The statement given out by Mr. Beadon after the dismissal of his summons follows: "Immediately after the dismissal of the complaint, with Mr. Bernard Sandler, my attorney, I visited the office of Assistant District Attorney Schreiber and asked that a charge of criminal libel be brought against the Better Business Bureau to be made before the grand jury on my behalf. Mr. Sandler was instructed to secure the minutes of the hearing before Magistrate Renaud and to submit these minutes with a copy of the alleged libelous publication of the Better Business Bureau to Mr. Schreiber."

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Terry achieved fame in the World War, first as President Wilson's private radio operator on the Presidential ship George Washington and later as the first naval operator to receive and transcribe Germany's original peace overture.

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"I had just seen Mrs. Schaefer four or five years, until last January when she came to me and asked me to help her handle the estate she had inherited from Rockwell," Bunte said. "We drew up a contract giving me control of her affairs at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. I have looked after her finances since then."

Schaefer, I understand, accuses me of going to Minneapolis with his wife June 7 and 8. We did. A cousin of her husband's, Norman Rockwell, who was in this country from England, died at the Radisson Hotel, and we were asked to go there by his attorneys."

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